
In Memoriam



James D. Driscoll 1931–2003

James Driscoll served as Chief Clerk of the Assembly from 1963–1986 and was instrumental in publishing earlier versions of this book.

Mr. Driscoll started his Capitol career in 1957 as an intern. He was later appointed as chief assistant clerk, and eventually became Chief Clerk. Seeking to educate the public, legislative staff, and students on state government, Mr. Driscoll published the first version of *California's Legislature* after California became the nation's first full-time legislature in 1966.[†] Although the text has evolved over time, much of the original format and historical information appears in the latest edition. Mr. Driscoll retired as Chief Clerk in 1986 and passed away in 2003.

[†] The book was a revision of an earlier publication, *The Legislature of California*, by Chief Clerk Arthur Ohnimus.



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